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In re Application of Toshihilko Kataoka

Application No. 10/811,410

Filed: March 26, 2004 DECISION ON RENEWED PETITION Attorney Docket No.

JP920030050US1

Title: METHOD FOR DATA

PROTECTION FOR REMOVABLE

RECORDING MEDIUM

UNDER 37 C.F.R. \$1.137(B)

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed April 19, 2007, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. \$1.137(b)¹, to revive the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R §1.113 in a timely manner to

¹ A grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R §1.137(b) must be accompanied by:

⁽¹⁾ The reply required to the outstanding Office action or notice, unless previously filed;

⁽²⁾ The petition fee as set forth in § 1.17(m);

⁽³⁾ A statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional. The Commissioner may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional, and;

⁽⁴⁾ Any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in § 1.20(d)) required pursuant to paragraph (d) of this section.

the final Office action mailed February 28, 2006, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months.

No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 C.F.R §1.136(a) were obtained, and no response was received.

Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on May 29, 2006. A notice of abandonment was mailed on September 28, 2006.

The original petition was filed on November 7, 2006, and was dismissed via the mailing of a decision on February 16, 2007 for failure to meet the third requirement of Rule §1.137(b).

With the present renewed petition, this deficiency has been rectified.

The Technology Center will be notified of this decision. The Technology Center's support staff will notify the Examiner of this decision, so that the Request for Continued Examination which was received on November 7, 2006 can be processed.

It is noted that both a Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address Indication form and a Chance of Correspondence Address form were submitted with this renewed petition. Each request was signed by an attorney who is not of record, and as such, neither can be entered. See 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.33(a)(2) and (b).

A courtesy copy of this decision will be mailed to Petitioner. However, all future correspondence will be directed to the address of record until such time as appropriate instructions are received to the contrary.

Telephone inquiries regarding **this decision** should be directed to the undersigned at (571) $272-3225^2$. All other inquiries

² Petitioner will note that all practice before the Office should be in writing, and the action of the Office will be based exclusively on the written record in the Office. See 37 C.F.R. \$1.2. As such, Petitioner is reminded that no telephone discussion may be controlling or considered authority for any further action(s) of Petitioner.

concerning examination procedures or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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